

CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 7/26/2021
DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Melinda "Mel" Narcisse Mitchell
Office: Mayor, City of St. Martinville
Parish: ST. MARTIN
Election Date: 3/24/2018
Level of Office: Any

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: SUPP2018
Original Due Date: 2/15/2019
Date Filed: 2/27/2019
Activity Receipts: \$0
Expenditures: \$375.37
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$0

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$480
Days Late: 12
Late Fee Order Received: 10/28/2020
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 11/17/2020
Waiver Request Received: 11/24/2020
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Candidate submitted waiver request by fax and states that she acknowledges that her waiver request is untimely due to awaiting a response from the Ethics Dept. She said that she called staff attorney Ms. Jordan due to a previous letter and left her a message regarding the late fee assessments. She said she did not hear back from Ethics and left another message on 11/20/20. She said she was visiting another agency and stopped by our office and spoke to Melissa Horn and she explained each letter thoroughly. She is requesting a waiver due to the lack of knowledge that she needed to file Annually although the account was closed immediately after the 2018 election. and she has no more campaign funds.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: YES
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: YES

Melissa Horn

From: Mayor Melinda Mitchell <mmitchell@stmartinville.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 1:56 PM
To: Melissa Horn
Subject: 10-P, 40-G, 2018 Supplemental Campaign

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Good afternoon Ms. Horn

I, Melinda Mitchell, would like to request a waiver in reference to the above Late Fee Assessments. I acknowledge my waiver request is untimely due to awaiting a response from the ethics department. Effective Friday, November 13th, I left a message on an ethic's attorney vm awaiting a call back. I reached out to Ms. Jordan due to a previous letter I received and left a message concerning the late fee assessments. Unfortunately I didn't hear back from the department, I then left another vm message on 11/20/20 at 9:50 am. (Please see the attached phone log from the call I made to ethics effective 11/13).

While visiting another agency in Baton Rouge yesterday, I decided to stop by the ethic's office to follow up on the notices. Fortunately I was able to speak to Ms. Melissa Horn. Ms. Horn explained each letter thoroughly. She answered all questions accordingly.

I'm currently requesting a waiver at this time due to the lack of knowledge that I needed to file annually although the account had been closed immediately after the 2018 election. I currently have no campaign funding accounts. To my knowledge, I previously paid \$1000 in fines and thought everything had been taken care of, until I received the notices.

Please consider waiving these amounts to the best of your ability. As a first time elected official, I plan to continue educating myself on important rules and regulations so this doesn't happen in the future. Please contact me at 337-441-0013 if you have any questions. Thanks.

Melinda Mitchell